

Dear Chairman Herring:

Please inform Mississippi Republican Party staff, county chairmen and key supporters that I am not planning to run for President.

While I am flattered by Mississippi Republicans' discussions and encouragement of me mounting a Presidential campaign, we have too much work to do here in Mississippi to continue such talk.

Our Republican friends here at home have always been so good to Marsha and me, and I look forward to their help in our immediate challenges like balancing the state budget, bringing more and better jobs to Mississippi and reforming education.

Thank you again for all of the great work you and the MRP staff do for our party and our state.

Sincerely,

Governor Haley Barbour

